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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP EG (VANCE, CYRUS)
SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT

REF: CAIRO 10924

1. SINCE SENDING REFTEL, OUR EGYPTIAN FRIENDS HAVE WANTED TO CHANGE SOMEWHAT THE ARRANGEMENTS FOR YOUR VISIT. AS YOU KNOW, INITIAL ARRANGEMENT I HAD WORKED OUT WAS THAT FONMIN KAMEL WOULD BE AT THE AIRPORT TO GREET YOU AND THAT WE WOULD USE THE SPECIAL PRESIDENTIAL LOUNGE. YESTERDAY MORNING USAMA AL BAZ CALLED ON BEHALF OF VP MUBARAK TO SUGGEST THAT, IMMEDIATELY AFTER LANDING, YOU, KAMEL AND I DRIVE TO HIS HOME IN HELIOPOLIS TO TALK THERE (IT IS ABOUT A TEN-MINUTE DRIVE FROM THE AIRPORT). I GOT WORD TO MUBARAK THAT YOU WOULD OF COURSE WISH TO DO WHATEVER HE THOUGHT BEST, BUT THAT IT WOULD REALLY BE MUCH MORE CONVENIENT FOR YOU TO REMAIN AT AIRPORT. THIS COULD THEN LEGITIMATELY BE BILLED AS A REFUELING STOP. I NOTED IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO COMMUNICATE BETWEEN THE AIRPORT AND HIS HOME AS TO JUST WHEN REFUELING HAD BEEN COMPLETED. IN ANY CASE, I WAS SURE YOU DID NOT WANT TO INCONVENIENCE HIM AT THAT HOUR OF THE MORNING. AFTER SEVERAL EXCHANGES
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AND A CALL FROM MUBARAK TO SADAT IN HURGHADA, HE FINALLY AGREED.

2. UNLESS EGYPTIANS CHANGE IT AGAIN IN COURSE OF THE DAY, YOU WILL BE MET BY KAMEL AND WE CAN TALK IN THE PRESIDENTIAL LOUNGE AT THE AIRPORT.
P.S. GHORBAL

WILL ALSO BE AT AIRPORT TO GREET YOU. EILTS

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